

## Message Text

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TAGS: EFIS PBOR EC PE  
SUBJ: GOP STATEMENT ON FISHING BOAT INCIDENT

REF: (A) QUITO 8092; (B) LIMA 10401

1. QUITO PAPERS NOVEMBER 30 PUBLISHED EXCERPTS FROM A FOREIGN MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE REPORTING THE RECEIPT OF A NOTE FROM PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR ARTURO GARCIA "EXPRESSING DEEP SENTIMENTS OF REGRET AND CONCERN" OVER THE FISHING BOAT INCIDENT AND THE DEATH OF AN ECUADOREAN SAILOR. ACCORDING TO THE COMMUNIQUE, THE NOTE PROMISED THAT STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT A REPETITION AND THAT THOSE RESPONSIBLE WOULD BE PUNISHED AFTER A FULL INVESTIGATION. FINALLY, IT SAID THAT THE GOE WOULD CONSIDER A GOE REQUEST FOR INDEMNIFYING THE FAMILY OF THE DEAD FISHERMAN.

2. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ALSO NOTED THAT PERUVIAN FONMIN DE LA PUENTE HAD TELEPHONED FONMIN AYALA TO EXPRESS HIS PERSONAL REGRETS OVER THE INCIDENT.

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3. COMMENT: THE GOP STATEMENT WAS VERY FORTHCOMING. IT FELL SHORT, HOWEVER, OF THE FULL APOLOGY FONMIN AYALA SAID THAT HE WOULD INSIST UPON. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE APPEARS TO ACCEPT THE STATEMENT AS SETTLING THE MATTER, AND WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT THE GOE WANTS IT TO DISAPPEAR QUIETLY. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME OF THE LEGALISTIC AND NATIONALISTIC POLITICIANS AND

WRITERS TRY TO MAKE AN ISSUE OF THE FACT THAT NO APOLOGY  
WAS ISSUED.  
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